

Abstract of the Invention

Radio client/server architectures and graphical user interfaces for toolbars and explorer bars utilized in conjunction with Web browsers providing streaming-media content are disclosed.

In one aspect of the present invention, the graphical user interface is of a Web browser with a  
5 radio toolbar that displays one or more buttons capable of controlling a source of streaming media. The graphical user interface can also include a menu bar, a standard-buttons toolbar, an address toolbar, horizontal or vertical explorer bars, a links toolbar and/or a status bar. The architecture aspect of the present invention includes a plurality of computer-executable components. One component is a radio server that plays a radio source of streaming-media.

10 Another component is an interface for communicating with the radio server. A third component is at least one radio-client that communicates through the interface in order to provide instructions to the radio server.